

# I Am That Great and Fiery Force

♩ = 132 C ♭ F ♭ D ♭ m G ♭ E ♭ m C ♭ C ♭

1. I am that great and fie - ry force spark-ling in  
 2. I shine in glit - ter on the seas, in burn-ing  
 3. And where I breathe there is no death, and mea-dows

6 F ♭ D ♭ m G ♭ E ♭ m C ♭ A ♭ m F ♭ D ♭ m

eve - ry - thing that lives; in shin - ing of the  
 sun, in moon and stars. In un - seen wind, in  
 glow with beau - ties rife. I am in all, the

11 G ♭ C ♭ A ♭ m F ♭ B ♭ dim E ♭ m A ♭ m F ♭ G ♭ sus G ♭ C ♭

riv - er's course, in green - ing grass that glo - ry gives.  
 ver - dant trees I breathe with - in, both near and far.  
 spir - it's breath, the thun - dered word, for I am Life.

Words: Hildegard of Bingen, 1098-1179

Music: Josquin Desprez, 1445-1521, adapt. by Anthony Petti, 1932-1985

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